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## BUDGET AND ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

### SR-10-11-05R BAPC

Recommends the following changes to the 2010-11 Marshall University Undergraduate Catalog, pages 75 and 76 in the sections titled, "VI. Academic Appeals Board", "VII. Hearing Panel" and "VIII. Hearing Procedures" to be revised with new language being indicated in **bold** font and deleted language as ~~striketrough~~.

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##### VI. Academic Appeals Board

###### A. Description and Jurisdiction:

The Academic Appeals Board is a permanent subcommittee of the Budget and Academic Policy Committee. It is composed of experienced Hearing Officers and is established to determine whether appeals arising from the following should result in a hearing:

1. Instructor-imposed sanctions, including: lowering of final course grade, failure of course, or exclusion from further participation in the class.
2. Final course grades.
3. Sanctions imposed for academic dishonesty.
4. Dismissal from an academic program.
5. Dismissal from the University.
6. Such other cases as may be referred to the Board.

**The Chair of the Budget and Academic Policy Committee may establish additional Academic Appeals Boards when necessary to deal with numerous appeals.**

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##### VII. Hearing Panel

###### B. Selection of Members for an Individual Hearing Panel

An individual Hearing Panel shall be composed of two (2) faculty members, one (1) student member, and one (1) non-voting Hearing Officer. The members of the Hearing Panel shall be chosen randomly from the Hearing Panel Pool by the Chairperson of the Academic Appeals Board or his/her designee. In appeals arising from dismissal from an academic program, if possible, at least two (2) of the faculty and student members of the Hearing Panel should be chosen from the Hearing Panel Pool members appointed from the constituent college or school involved. **A hearing panel member may be removed by the Hearing Officer, given the majority vote by the Academic Appeals Board, if said hearing panel member engages in unethical behavior as referenced in the university's "Statement of Professional Ethics for all Employees" document.**

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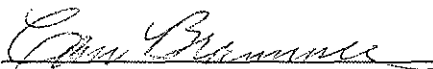
## VIII. Hearing Procedures

- C. The appellant student and the appellee have the right to an advisor. Advisors must be members of the University community (faculty, staff, or student). Such advisors may consult with, but may not speak on behalf of their advisees or otherwise participate directly in the proceedings, unless they are given specific permission to do so by the Hearing Officer. **The appellant student and the appellee have the right to witnesses. Witnesses must be directly related and relevant to the appeal. The Hearing Officer must approve the witnesses given their relevance to the appeal.**

**RATIONALE:**

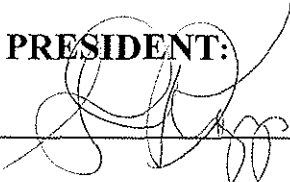
Due to the increase in academic appeals and the timing of numerous appeals (close in occurrence) another Appeals Board is needed to ensure deadline dates are met. The recommended policy is more specific related to witnesses. It removes any ambiguities and clarifies for the student and faculty member the witness process.

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